AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of revised claims with a status identifier in parenthesis.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic system for a device using X-radiation during examination, comprising:
 - a CCD camera:
 - a device for generating external trigger pulses; and
 - a system control, configured to control, in the absence of X-radiation, control a readout of the CCD camera without a desired signal including image information at regular time intervals in response to reset pulses at regular time intervals in the absence of X-radiation, and the system control being further configured to control.

when an external trigger pulse occurs at a point in time at which no readout of the CCD camera is to take place, control triggering of a read out of the CCD camera without a desired signal including image information and a subsequent subsequently triggering of an exposure of the CCD camera when an external trigger pulse occurs at a point in time at which no readout of the CCD camera is to take place; [[, and]] wherein[[,]]

[[when]] <u>if the time elapsed between a most recent reset</u>

pulse and an external trigger pulse <u>is less than a duration of the</u>

readout of the CCD camera without a desired signal including image information, occurs at a point in time at which a readout of the CCD camera is to take place, a readout without a desired signal including image information is suppressed, and before an exposure of the CCD camera is triggered directly by the external trigger pulse.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Previously presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 1, wherein, when an external trigger pulse occurs at a point in time at which no readout of the CCD camera is to take place, a readout without a useful signal is initially carried out and then the diagnostic system is subsequently triggered for the emission of X-radiation via an X-ray emitter.
- (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an ECG electrode.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an angle sensor mounted at a C-arm of the diagnostic system.

6. – 7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 3, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an ECG electrode.

9. - 10. (Canceled)

- 11. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 3, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an angle sensor mounted at a C-arm of the diagnostic system.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 4, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an angle sensor mounted at a C-arm of the diagnostic system.

13. – 14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 8, wherein the device for generating external trigger pulses is an angle sensor mounted at a C-arm of the diagnostic system.

- 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic system for a device using X-radiation during examination, comprising:

a CCD camera;

means for generating an external trigger pulse; and

means for, when an external trigger pulse is generated at a time when no readout of the CCD camera is to take place, providing a readout of the CCD camera without a desired signal including image information in response to reset pulses generated at regular intervals and before an exposure of the CCD camera when an external trigger pulse is generated at a time when no readout of the CCD camera is to take place, and for, when an external trigger pulse is generated at a time when a readout of the CCD camera is to take place, suppressing a readout without a desired signal including image information before an exposure of the CCD camera when an external trigger pulse is generated at a time when a readout of the CCD camera when an external trigger pulse is generated at a time when a readout of the CCD camera is to take place, wherein

if the time elapsed between a most recent reset pulse and an external trigger pulse is less than a duration of the readout of the CCD camera without a desired signal including image information, a readout without a desired signal including image information is

suppressed, and exposure of the CCD camera is triggered directly by the external trigger pulse.

- 18. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 17, wherein the diagnostic system is for a device using X-radiation during examination and wherein the means for providing is configured such that, in the absence of X-radiation, a readout of the CCD camera without a useful signal takes place at regular time intervals.
- 19. (Canceled)
- 20. (Currently Amended) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 17, wherein, when an external trigger pulse occurs at a point in time at which no readout of the CCD camera is to take place, a readout without a useful signal is initially carried out and then the [[X-ray]] diagnostic system is subsequently triggered for the emission of X-radiation via an X-ray emitter.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the external trigger pulses are generated in a non-predetermined fashion.

- 22. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the external trigger pulses are generated in a non-periodic fashion.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 17, wherein the external trigger pulses are generated in a non-predetermined fashion.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic system as claimed in claim 17, wherein the external trigger pulses are generated in a non-periodic fashion.
- 25. (Canceled)